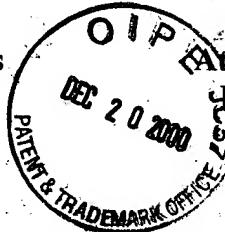


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This is a request under 37 CFR 1.53(d) for a continued prosecution application (CPA) which is a
[X] Continuation or [] Divisional of pending prior application 08/913,918, filed on December 8,
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Anticipated Group/Art Unit 1633, or Class Subclass

[] Enter the unentered Amendment previously filed on under 37 CFR 1.116 in the pending non-provisional application.

[] Request for Nonpublication of Application Under 35 U.S.C. §122(b) (37 C.F.R. §1.213(a)).

[] Substitute Specification.

[X] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

[] This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the pending application, 37 CFR 1.53(d)(4). Delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior non-provisional application:

[] A new Power of Attorney is enclosed.

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[] New formal drawings are enclosed.

[] A Petition for Extension of Time along with requisite fee is enclosed.

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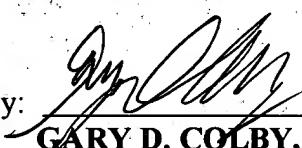
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a Continued Prosecution Application. Prior to calculation of fees for the Continued Prosecution Application, please amend the application as follows. This Preliminary Amendment and the accompanying Continued Prosecution Application are timely filed by virtue of the Petition for a Three-Month Extension of time filed in the parent application with the Amendment After Final rejection. A copy of that Petition is enclosed for the Examiner's information.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-36 and 39-54, without prejudice to inclusion of the subject matter of these claims in this or a subsequently filed patent application.

REMARKS

Claims 37, 38, and 55-68 are pending following entry of this Preliminary Amendment.

A Supplemental Preliminary Amendment will be filed within two months from the filing of this Preliminary Amendment. In the event that this